SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC LIBRARY
3 1223 07661 6110

City and County of San Francisco
Department of Public Health
Childhood Lead Prevention Program
1380 Howard Street, 2nd floor
San Francisco, CA 94103
(415) 255-3748

SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC LIBRARY
FEB 22 1994
DOCUMENTS DEPT.

MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 16, 1994

DOCUMENTS DEPT.
FEB 22 1994
SAN FRANCISCO
PUBLIC LIBRARY

TO: All Task Force Members

FROM: Jack Breslin
linator, CLPP

nent

---

nsive Environmental Lead Poisoning Prevention Program
gency Task Force to exchange abatement and education
ement activities and provide consultation services and
ublic Health.

ting since August 1993. In the intervening time, lead
lations have been presented and discussed. With the
's familiarization with lead hazard issues now
ve on to substantive actions.

inance mandates, it will be necessary for each
op a written needs assessment identifying the lead issues
ent/agency. This assessment should be sent to the
Lead Prevention Program, 1380 Howard St., 2nd Fl., San Francisco, CA 94103, one week prior to our next meeting on March 14th. This will allow us to reproduce each letter for distribution to Task Force members prior to this meeting. These documents will serve as the basis of discussion at the meeting.

Please contact me at 255-3612 should you require further information or assistance.

5/S

San Francisco Public Library

Government Information Center
San Francisco Public Library
100 Larkin Street, 5th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94102

REFERENCE BOOK

Not to be taken from the Library

D
REF
615.9256
Sa52m
1994-
2001

City and County of San Francisco

Department of Public Health
Childhood Lead Prevention Program
1380 Howard Street, 2nd floor
San Francisco, CA 94103
(415) 255-3748

SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC LIBRARY
FEB 22 1994
DOCUMENTS DEPT.

MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 16, 1994

TO: All Task Force Members

FROM: Jack Breslin JB
Program Coordinator, CLPP

SUBJECT: **Needs Assessment**

DOCUMENTS DEPT.
FEB 22 1994
SAN FRANCISCO
PUBLIC LIBRARY

The San Francisco Comprehensive Environmental Lead Poisoning Prevention Program Ordinance directs the City Agency Task Force to exchange abatement and education information, coordinate abatement activities and provide consultation services and assistance to the Director of Public Health.

The Task Force has been meeting since August 1993. In the intervening time, lead hazard information and regulations have been presented and discussed. With the initial phase of the Task Force's familiarization with lead hazard issues now completed, we must now move on to substantive actions.

To meet this goal and the ordinance mandates, it will be necessary for each participating agency to develop a written needs assessment identifying the lead issues associated with your department/agency. This assessment should be sent to the Childhood Lead Prevention Program, 1380 Howard St., 2nd Fl., San Francisco, CA 94103, one week prior to our next meeting on March 14th. This will allow us to reproduce each letter for distribution to Task Force members prior to this meeting. These documents will serve as the basis of discussion at the meeting.

Please contact me at 255-3612 should you require further information or assistance.

JB/wv

y and County of San Francisco

Department of Public Health
Childhood Lead Prevention Program
Bureau of Environmental Health Management
1390 Market Street, Suite 230
San Francisco, CA 94102
Phone (415) 554-8930
Fax (415) 554-8938

Memorandum

To: Shirley Jones, Executive Director, CAHEED

Michael Gonzales, Program Manager, San Francisco Education Services, Inc. (SFES)

Southeast Family Support Network, (SFSN) Executive Members

From: Tracey L.R. Abernathy
S.F. DPH, Childhood Lead Prevention Program (CLPP)

DOCUMENTS DEPT.
SEP 11 1995
SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC LIBRARY

Re: Update on Southeast Education Lead Campaign: "Don't Be Mis LEAD! Get the FACTS on Lead"

Date: 8/25/95

The Train the Trainer Workshop has been scheduled:

Date: *September 15, 1995*
Location: *San Francisco Educational Services, Inc.*
1601 Lane Street
Time: *11:00 am - 2:00 p.m.*

Primary Objective: To initiate collaboration between CLPP and the community for the purpose of enhancing childhood lead poisoning prevention activities in the Southeast.
Trainee Profile: The targeted participants will consist of one *on line staff* representative from each of the 12 to 18 CBO's that comprise the SFSN.

Instructional Goal: The goal of the workshop will be that participants will be able to demonstrate an overall knowledge in Childhood Lead Poisoning and understand the key topics, ie... sources, nutrition, health effects, resources, and housekeeping methods as it pertains to environmental lead within the community.

To date the following activities have taken place:

Development of Campaign Purpose Statement:

" 1. To work in partnership with neighborhood community based organizations to increase parent's and the community awareness of lead hazards, lead poisoning prevention and the need for child blood testing.
2. To provide direct, intensive, outreach to undeserved families.
3. To offer blood lead testing (screening) to 100 children between the ages 9 months and six years who live in the Southeast."

City and County of San Francisco

Department of Public Health
Childhood Lead Prevention Program
Bureau of Environmental Health Management
1390 Market Street, Suite 230
San Francisco, CA 94102
Phone (415) 554-8930
Fax (415) 554-8938

regards to the Train the Trainer Workshop and also to provide each agency with campaign materials, resources, and to scheduled education presentations on an variety of topics related to lead poisoning and the Southeast community I am confident that the education campaign will be successful for the whole community.

Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions or want to provide any suggestions. I can be reach at 415 554-3930 ext. 13 pager: 280-3601

Thank you in advance for your participation.

3 1223 07661 6110

y and County of San Francisco

Department of Public Health
Childhood Lead Prevention Program
Bureau of Environmental Health Management
1390 Market Street, Suite 230
San Francisco, CA 94102
Phone (415) 554-8930
Fax (415) 554-8938

Confirmation of Screening Dates:

Date: September 27, 1995
Location: Southeast Health Center
Time: 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Date: October 4, 1995
Location: Southeast Health Center
Time: 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Date: October 10, 1995
Location: Ujima Clinic
Time: 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Media:

- *August 28, 1995 KPOO Interview & PSA on upcoming campaign.*
- *Submission of the 1st of a three part news article for the "New Bayview." The first news article will announce the upcoming campaign and will appear in the September 8th issue. There will be two other articles focusing on lead prevention topics, and they will appear in the September 22nd & October 6th issues.*
- *An 1/4 page ad will appear in the September 22nd issue. (see: Don't Be MisLEAD! Get the FACTS on LEAD! (flyer enclosed)*
- *Submission of news article for DPH "The Word on Lead Prevention" September issue.*

Outreach:

- *Development and completion of 1,500 bookmarks for the libraries, and 2,500 flyers for outreach.*
- *DPH clearance to hire 2 to 3 teenagers from Young Community Developer to conduct door to door outreach at public housing sites and designated outreach sites. (I am currently in process of writing a letter of agreement for the Young Community Developer management)*
- *Development and completion of youth outreach job description.*
- *Currently in the process of scheduling parent presentation both Southeast and Visitacion Valley libraries.*
- *Contacted Public Housing Sites Management & Tenant Associations to begin door to door outreach and to solicit input, provide resources, and scheduled presentations.*
- *Contacted and began negotiation with Food Co. management to conduct health fair, donate prizes, and purchase raffle gift certificate.*

In the first draft proposal that I faxed to the three principal players (Mr. Everhart, Mr. Gonzales, and Ms. Shirley Jones) stated that SFSN would help recruit parents to bring their children into the clinics for the special screening; there will also be raffle to help promote the screening. It is my hope that the educational campaign and especially the screening of 100 children will be successful. I look forward to being in touch with each participating agency in

City and County of San Francisco

Department of Public Health
Childhood Lead Prevention Program
Bureau of Environmental Health Management
1390 Market Street, Suite 230
San Francisco, CA 94102
Phone (415) 554-8930
Fax (415) 554-8938

regards to the Train the Trainer Workshop and also to provide each agency with campaign materials, resources, and to scheduled education presentations on an variety of topics related to lead poisoning and the Southeast community
I am confident that the education campaign will be successful for the whole community.

Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions or want to provide any suggestions. I can be reach at 415 554-3930 ext. 13 pager: 280-3601

Thank you in advance for your participation.

SF
370.15
5
12/97

MEMO

from

Susan Solstice
Childhood Lead Prevention Program
1390 Market Street, Suite 230
San Francisco, CA 94102
(415) 554-8930 ex. 20
(415) 554-8938 fax

DOCUMENTS DEPT.
MAY 07 1997
SAN FRANCISCO
PUBLIC LIBRARY

Date: Friday, May 02, 1997
To: Ordinance Committee Members
From: Susan Solstice

Re: A presentation on a viable alternative
to current lead-containing paint abatement strategies

John Thoburn has agreed to give a presentation on LeadLock Encasement Systems from Global Encasement, Inc., immediately following the Lead Poisoning Prevention Citizens Advisory Committee meeting on May 28th. The presentation will take place from 11:15 AM until 12:00 PM in the Latino-Hispanic Conference Room at the Main Library.

LeadLock products can be applied directly to surfaces in order to encapsulate chipping and peeling paint. Encasement should be considered as a viable alternative to addressing lead hazards. The benefits are:

- The primer can be applied directly over peeling and chipped paint.
- No scraping or sanding of the substrate is required, hence less chance for lead-dust contamination of a work area and child's home.
- Water-based product--little volatile organic compounds.
- 20 year guarantee on the encasement system.

In CLPP's case management experience, we often find that lead hazard control work is not performed perfectly, even using lead trained contractors. Hazardous levels of lead-containing paint dust and chips often remain after the completion of lead hazard control work in homes of already poisoned children.

CLPP would like to help keep committee members informed of new and upcoming lead hazard control options and offer accounts of our field experience to help members gauge the effectiveness of such controls.

Digitized by the Internet Archive
in 2014

http://archive.org/details/memorandum1994sanf_0

HAZARD ALERT!!

DOCUMENTS DEPT
DEC 0 8 2000
SAN FRANCISCO
PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Childhood Lead Prevention Program wants to inform you of the attached Hazard Alert. Please call the SF CLPP at 554-8930 if you have further questions.

DATE: November 12, 1998

TOPICS:
1. Lead in two Heinz baby food varieties
2. Lead in two "Save The Children" mugs
3. Lead in imported trinkets and costume jewelry

PLEASE POST AND DISTRIBUTE TO APPROPRIATE STAFF ASAP.

News Release

Heinz U.S.A.
Division of H.J. Heinz Company

CONTACT: Deb Magness
Heinz U.S.A.
412-237-5806

HEINZ RECALLS TWO BABY FOOD VARIETIES

PITTSBURGH, PA, October 9, 1998 – Heinz U.S.A. today announced that it is voluntarily recalling a limited quantity of two baby food varieties due to an isolated incident involving the detection of trace levels of lead. No other Heinz baby food varieties are being recalled.

The two varieties, manufactured 11 months ago during the same day, are: *Heinz Vegetable Chicken Dinner* (4 ounce jar only), with the production code P3117WB and *Heinz Beginner Strained Carrots* (2.5 ounce jar only), with the production code P31176N. Production codes are readily identifiable on the baby food jar lids.

Symptoms from low-level lead exposure occur only after long periods of time, and baby food consumption patterns make such exposure - and any resulting adverse health effects - unlikely. "Even if a child ate a jar of one of these varieties every day for six consecutive months, the possibility of negative effects would be remote,*" said Dr. David Yeung, director of the Heinz Institute of Nutritional Sciences.

As a precautionary measure, all jars of the specified varieties are being removed from grocery stores and warehouses nationwide, with limited West Coast distribution. The company estimates that very few jars are currently available in the marketplace. No illnesses have been reported.

The company's findings and corrective actions have been shared with the U.S. Food & Drug Administration as well as the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Consumers should call toll-free 800-782-8408 for additional information and are encouraged to return unopened jars of varieties with the above code dates to the place of purchase for a full refund.

All possible precautionary measures are being taken to ensure the problem will not reoccur.

###

*Editor's Note: Joint Food and Agriculture Organization/ World Health Organization Expert Committee on Food Additives (1993) Evaluation of Certain Food Additives and Contaminants.

News Release

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

NUMBER: 94-98
FOR RELEASE: IMMEDIATE
http://www.dhs.ca.gov

DATE: October 27, 1998
CONTACT: Carla Agar
or Ken August
916/657-3064

STATE HEALTH DEPARTMENT WARNS CONSUMERS OF HIGH LEAD LEVELS IN TWO "SAVE THE CHILDREN" MUGS

SACRAMENTO - The California Department of Health Services is warning consumers to stop using two "Save the Children" 20-ounce mugs because they contain high levels of lead. The mug with the pattern name "Popsicle Faces" has 21.6 ppm of leachable lead in the lip and rim areas, and the mug "Here comes Santa" has 57.0 ppm. The current voluntary industry standard for those areas, established by the Society of Glass and Ceramic Decorators, is that lead must not leach more than 25 ppm. However, effective April 1, 1999, the new voluntary standard will be 4 ppm.

The mugs have been sold mainly in Ross Dress for Less stores, as well as other retail outlets. The lead from the mugs comes primarily from the royal blue areas of the decal, which substantially degraded and dissolved during tests of the mugs. The unstable nature of the decal poses an unknown potential for lead exposure to the consumer, especially when used with acidic beverages such as juices, soda, coffee or tea.

The underside of the mugs contains a decal with the "Save the Children" logo and a rectangle enclosing a child's name, age, and design theme, followed by the word China, which is the country where the product was manufactured.

Because of their large size, the mugs would not typically be used by young children. However, individuals who have been drinking from these mugs on a regular basis should contact their local health provider or local health department for information about blood lead testing.

Lead is toxic to humans, especially small children and pregnant women. While most people with lead poisoning exhibit little or no symptoms, individuals who have been exposed to high levels of lead can have stomach pains, nausea, vomiting, fatigue, decreased attention span, irritability, headache, or difficulty sleeping.

The mugs are manufactured in China by Tien Shan Corporation. The importer and distributor of these products, Centrum Corporation in Connecticut, is recalling the mugs from the marketplace and will pay for their return or replacement.

Centrum Corporation distributes the mugs under a licensing agreement with Save the Children, an international non-profit organization that provides health and education services to children. A portion of the proceeds from the sale of the mugs goes to the organization. Under the terms of its agreement, Centrum assumes full responsibility for the production and quality control of these products.

-o0o-

TATE OF CALIFORNIA—HEALTH AND WELFARE AGENCY PETE WILSON, Governor

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION BRANCH
301 CHRISTIE AVENUE, SUITE 600
MERYVILLE, CA 94608
510) 450-2453

November 4, 1998

TO: Lead Coordinators
Health Educators

SUBJECT: Consumer Product Safety Commission recommendations regarding lead in children's jewelry

The following material is being sent to inform you of potential new lead exposures for children and adolescents. Imported trinkets and jewelry bearing the initials "WWJD" (for What Would Jesus Do) have been found to contain lead in amounts ranging from 0 to 15,000 ppm. The products which include key chains, bracelets, necklaces and crosses are manufactured in China, Korea, and Taiwan and are being sold in discount chain stores throughout the country. At least one child, a two year old residing in Tennessee, was found to have an elevated blood lead level after several weeks of wearing one of these necklaces. No problems have been found with similar U.S. made jewelry.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) was notified and has issued the enclosed statement. Please note that the CPSC has only issued guidelines and recommendations for manufacturers and distributors and no enforcement action is being taken. We are distributing this information so that, if in the course of a case investigation, you identify one of these items, you will be aware that it may represent a potential source of lead exposure. Due to the large number of items that may have been purchased, we would ask that you not routinely submit them for sample testing. A LeadCheck swab may identify some of the pieces that contain lead, but we do not have data on how effective this method is for detecting lead in all of these items.

Joan S. Dorfman, M.D., M.P.H., Chief
Care Management and Surveillance Section
Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Branch

Enclosure

U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20207

Alan H. Schoem
Director
Office of Compliance
Direct Dial (301) 504-0684
E-Mail: aschoem@cpsc.gov

Tel: 301-504-0621, Ext. 1349
Fax: 301-504-0008

Re: Guidance for Lead in Children's Jewelry

Dear Manufacturers, Importers, Distributors, and Retailers:

The purpose of this letter is to seek your commitment to protect children from hazardous exposure to lead in consumer products by eliminating the lead contained in children's jewelry products sold in the United States.

Investigations by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) staff of costume jewelry for children indicates that many of these products contain lead. Costume jewelry generally is worn by children six years of age and older. Children of this age do not typically engage in mouthing behavior that could lead to elevated levels of lead in their blood. However, if jewelry intended for older children is given to or accessible to younger children, those children may be exposed to hazardous amounts of lead. The Commission staff recently learned of a case in which a two year old child allegedly experienced lead poisoning from a piece of jewelry intended for use by older children. In the Commission staff's view, this risk is unnecessary and should be avoided.

To reduce the risk of hazardous exposure to lead from costume jewelry intended for use by children, the Commission staff requests manufacturers to eliminate the use of lead in such products. We also recommend that, before purchasing products for resale, importers, distributors, and retailers obtain assurances from manufacturers that those products do not contain lead that may be accessible to children. If removal of the lead is not feasible, the staff

recommends that each piece of jewelry that contains lead be accompanied by a prominent warning that the item should not be purchased for or given to a child under the age of six because of the risk of lead poisoning, for example:

"WARNING: Contains lead. Not for children under 6 years."

On January 22, 1998, CPSC issued guidance to manufacturers, importers, distributors, and retailers to help reduce the risk of hazardous exposure to lead from consumer products. This guidance highlights certain obligations under the Federal Hazardous Substances Act (FHSA), 15 U.S.C. §§ 1261-1278 and describes the risks to young children associated with exposure to lead. A copy of this guidance is enclosed.

If you have questions about the Commission's lead policy, please feel free to contact Mary Toro, Senior Compliance Officer at 301-504-0608 Ext. 1378, e-mail address: mtoro@CPSC.gov, or at the address listed at the top of this page.

Sincerely,

Alan H. Schoem

Enclosures

hildhood Lead Prevention Program
390 Market Street, Suite 230
an Francisco, CA 94102

Releases

City and County of San Francisco

Department of Public Health
Childhood Lead Prevention Program
Bureau of Environmental Health Management
1390 Market Street, Suite 230
San Francisco, CA 94102
Phone (415) 554-8930
Fax (415) 554-8938

.15

7/98

DOCUMENTS DEPT.
DEC 1 1 1998
SAN FRANCISCO
PUBLIC LIBRARY

Please come to the

Childhood Lead Prevention Program

Office Orientation

on Thursday, December 17

from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

1390 Market Street, Suite #230

(Fox Plaza Building)

Please call Kathy at 415-554-8930 by Monday, December 14 to confirm your attendance

Childhood lead poisoning is preventable!

FACT: Lead can harm children, especially those ages 1-6.

TIP: Wash children's hands and toys often. Keep your home free of dust.

FACT: Lead-based paint found in older homes is the major cause of childhood lead poisoning.

TIP: Keep children away from flaking and peeling paint – especially if your house was built before 1978.

FACT: Lead is a poison. It can harm a child's ability to learn, hear, and grow. Many lead poisoned children do not look sick.

TIP: Blood lead tests are the only way to know if your child has lead poisoning. Talk to your doctor about a blood lead test for your child today.

FACT: High levels of dangerous lead dust can be released during remodeling.

TIP: Always use lead-safe work practices. For more information, call 1-800-597-LEAD.

SF Health Department, Childhood Lead Prevention Program
1390 Market Street, # 230
San Francisco, CA 94102

Avoid Child Lead Poisoning

SF
P70.15
#5
10/01

Today, Ask Your Doctor to Test Your Child for Lead Poisoning

DOCUMENTS DEPT.
OCT - 3 2003
SAN FRANCISCO
PUBLIC LIBRARY

Protect Your Child from Lead Poisoning

(415) 554-8930